Handale Primary School

Recount Text



Audience	Someone who wants to know what happened
Purpose	To retell a real event in an interesting and engaging way
Typical Structure	 A beginning, middle and end in chronological order Opening paragraph to hook or orientate the reader (Who? What? Where? When? Why?) Paragraphs often begin with a topic sentence
Typical Language Features	 Past tense Time connectives and sentence signposts for coherence Specific and descriptive – often in style of information or explanation Direct speech
Examples	 Trip to local museum Autobiography Newspaper article

In your introduction include

- Who?
- What?
- When?
- Why?
- Where?

Guide your reader through the event:

- Yesterday
- Last week
- In February last year
- It has just been announced

Select powerful verbs

- brave
- plucky
- heroic
- public-spirited
- undaunted